ChalleNGe

75% of graduates earned a high school diploma.

That's nearly **DOUBLE** the pass rate of the other adult education programs.



Frequently Asked Questions Is there a cost to the parent or legal guardian?

No enrollment fees — Parents are not required to pay tuition or other costs associated with the program. Some clothing and other necessary items may need to be purchased by parent or legal guardian.

What is mentoring?

Success is a team effort. A caring, responsible adult, will help guide, motivate, and support a cadet during the residential and post-residential phase.

How do I apply?

- 1. Visit our webpage: www.state.nj.us/military
- 2. Select the Youth "ChalleNGe" tab
- 3. Click "How to apply" and select the "preapplication"



We Support Second Chances!



To receive an application or become a mentor please call or email us at: 609-556-6080 RPM@dmava.nj.gov

Visit us on online www.state.nj.us/military





Check out the NJYCA Facebook Page for current news, events, and pictures

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New Jersey Youth ChalleNGe Academy



Tuition Free OPPORTUNITY



DREAM *BELIEVE *ACHIEVE

Are you up for the CHALLENGE?

MISSION

The mission of the New Jersey Youth ChalleNGe Academy is to provide highly disciplined environment fostering academics, leadership development, physical training, and personal growth to educate and train unemployed youth who have ceased to attend high school.



What we offer

- A chance to remove yourself from a disruptive environment for 2 weeks
- Meet new friends
- Learn self discipline
- Discover your strengths
- Remove bad habits
- Enhance life and education skills
- Increase employment potential

NJYCA has **FREE TUITION** for students residing in New Jersey. There are two classes each year that offer youth the OPPORTUNITY to obtain their **New Jersey High School Diploma!**





Qualifications

- 1. Citizen or legal resident of US and NJ
- 2. Male or Female ages 16-18 years
- 3. Free of legal involvements: probation, parole, or any pending court dates
- 4. Drug and alcohol free
- 5. Officially withdrawn from high school
- 6. VOLUNTARY

NJYCA is **FREE** to Attend



Eight Core Components

- 1. Leadership/Followship
- 2. Responsible Citizenship
- 3. Service to Community
- 4. Life-Coping Skills
- 5. Physical Fitness
- 6. Health and Hygiene
- 7. Job Skill
- 8. Academic Excellence



HOW IT WORKS

Acclimation Period

- Initial two-week phase.
- Identify students with **desire/discipline** to graduate.
- Candidates have an opportunity to adjust to the physical, mental, and social discipline of the program.
- Teamwork, drill, leadership, followership, physical fitness training, code of conduct.
- Over 90% of the cadets will successfully complete the program.

Residential Phase

- **20** weeks.
- Daily activities and service to the community.
- Builds on job skills and self-concept.
- Academic program prepares cadets for the GED.
- Mentors are matched with cadets midway, and support them during the remainder of this phase.
- Helps them prepare to re-enter community life.

Post-Residential Phase

- 12-month period AFTER graduation.
- Cadets continue to uphold their commitment to the Academy. As they return to their communities, graduates work closely with their mentors to ensure continued success.
- It is a team effort that provides graduates with the continued support to succeed in self-management.



